

KEYTESVILLE CELEBRATES JULY 4--PLAN TO BE HERE A Full and Complete Announcement and Program Will Be Published Later

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JUDGE JOHN T. WHITE

Among Keytesville visitors last week was Judge John T. White of Springfield, candidate for Supreme Judge. In 1916 Judge White was selected by the Supreme Court as one of the commissioners provided for by the Legislature to assist the Court in getting up with the docket. At that time he was selected out of thirty able competitors. In 1917 he was re-elected by the unanimous vote of the seven Supreme Judges as a recognition of the able work he had done. Judge White was born and reared on a farm in Green county and worked his way through college, graduating with highest honors. He practiced law in Springfield for 25 years.

The opinions he has written as Supreme Court Commissioner have



received most favorable comment from judges and lawyers in every part of the State. In his candidacy for the Supreme Judgeship he is being actively supported by lawyers in more than 100 counties and in the large cities. He is receiving this support not alone because he is a pleasant and agreeable gentleman but because it is the belief of those supporting him that only the ablest men should be elected to the Supreme Bench and that he merits the Democratic nomination on the distinguished record he has made as commissioner.

Judge White met a number of people in Keytesville and spent the day in other parts of the county where he was most favorably received.

A FREE AIRPLANE SHOW TUESDAY, JULY FOURTH

Keytesville, through the generosity of a number of its business houses, will invite all who can come to attend the big free airplane show here Tuesday, July 4. Several thrillers are promised for the show which will take place in the afternoon. No charges of any kind will be made.

The exhibition will include bomb dropping, wing walking, hanging from the ship by the performer's teeth, and will end with a parachute drop.

SPECIAL ELECTION CALLED FOR TUESDAY, JULY 18TH

The final details have been all attended to in legal form and now the voters of the City of Keytesville will soon be given an opportunity to vote for water works.

In another column will be found the notice of election, and those interested will find food for thought.

Discussion in regard to this matter is barred this week on account of lack of space, but the Courier will have a plenty to say next week.

There is absolutely nothing to say against water works, and it is now only a matter of the voters going on record as to whether they wish to get on the band wagon and come alive.

Most of the voters of Keytesville are alive to this question and it seems that the matter is going on through with no possible chance of defeat.

Watch Keytesville go!

A special term of the Circuit court was held here Friday. The business was in connection with the Bee Branch drainage project, and owing to the fact that certain witnesses were not on hand, the case was adjourned to next July 10th.

Miss Jessie Richardson was called to Salisbury to officiate as one of the judges for eight school girls who had a competition in singing. The contest was held at the moving picture show.

Charles Audrey Sterner Shot in Raid of Sharpshooters' Club at St. Louis

TWO CASUALTIES AT HUNTSVILLE FRIDAY EVENING

Floyd Bousman, aged about 22 years, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Bousman, of Huntsville, was drowned in old No. 2 mine pond, located in the extreme southern limits of the city, about 6:30 o'clock Friday evening. Young Bousman came up from Columbia Friday afternoon, where he and his father have been at work and after eating supper at his home, he was asked to go swimming at the pond by his friend, John Boland, who is a clerk in the Just Right Mercantile Co. store, but young Bousman did not want to go, though he had the reputation of being a good swimmer, but after earnest entreaties by Mr. Boland he consented to go and thereby lost his life. He and young Boland were swimming in about 8 feet of water when Mr. Boland noticed that Mr. Bousman was struggling and quickly swam to his assistance and grappled him about the neck, but soon realized that both would go down if he didn't extricate himself which he did by a heroic effort and swam to shore, about 75 feet and to get a pole or something to grapple him with, but before he reached the shore the unfortunate young man had gone down to arise no more alive.

There were a few other young people about the pond and the alarm was soon given when hundreds of people assembled at the pond and scores of young men were soon searching the water for the body. It was about 9:30 p. m. before the body was found and removed to Patton & Son's undertaking establishment. The mother and only sister became almost frantic when the sad news was broken to them. The father was notified at Columbia and he arrived home about midnight. Young Bousman was one of the best and most likeable young men in Huntsville and was a devout member of the Methodist church. Mr. Boland, who is a fine young man, is deeply grieved over the tragic death of his companion friend.

Besides his parents and sister, the young man leaves two brothers, Bert and Chester Bousman, of Moberly.

Funeral and burial will take place from the Methodist church at 2:00 p. m. Sunday.

Just as the city of Huntsville had settled down and her people had retired for the night after much excitement over the tragic death of one of her splendid young men, Floyd Bousman, Friday evening, the whole town was suddenly aroused by alarms of fire. Court house and church bells were rung and guns were fired to awake the people. About 1:30 o'clock Grover Dillman, the night mail messenger, discovered a big blaze in the old Breckenridge hotel building on the corner of Main and Depot streets in the rear of the Just Right Mercantile store, and in which building is located and managed by Judge P. L. Vasse. By the time the fire hose could be run out and attached to water mains the blaze was shooting up through the old vent or elevator to the top of the building, but by heroic efforts of the firemen the flames were under control in about one hour. Inside portions of the building were damaged considerably by water and fire as was also a portion of the Just Right Mercantile Co. stock of goods. As no fire had been in the building for weeks it is not known how it originated. Building and goods are covered by insurance. A great crowd was on the streets during the fire.—Sunday Moberly Democrat.

CAN HE FOOL US AGAIN?

Reed, as an assistant Republican, two years ago ignored the expressed wishes of his Missouri constituents. He fooled us that time, sacrificing our desires to his hatred of Woodrow Wilson. Can he fool us again?—Iron County Register.

Mrs. W. W. White entertained the ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian church Wednesday afternoon.

Doctors Fear Man Will Die—Officers Mistaken for Party of Holdup Men, Authorities Say in Explaining Shooting

When the word was received in Keytesville of the shooting of Charles Audrey Sterner in St. Louis the entire city was shocked almost beyond measure. While it was expected that Mr. Sterner would sooner or later meet with mishap in the performance of his duty, the fact that he had been laid low by an assassin's gun brought sorrow to all. At the time of going to press—Wednesday noon no word had been received since Mrs. Sterner reported that the doctors gave but slight hopes for Mr. Sterner's recovery. The following is the account of just what happened and where.

The best wishes of the entire community are with the brave little woman, Mrs. Sterner, who went to St. Louis on the first train after receiving the message of Mr. Sterner's being shot.

Charles Sterner, 34 years old, Keytesville, Mo., a federal prohibition officer, was shot and critically wounded at 8:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon when prohibition enforcement agents, headed by Gus O. Nations, federal enforcement officer, raided a saloon on the grounds of the Sharpshooters' Park and Club at Lemay Ferry and Telegraph roads, two miles south of the city.

The shot was fired by one of sixteen men who were in the bar when the



CHARLES AUDREY STERNER

federal men entered and who, it is believed, thought the raiders to be hold-up men.

All were arrested by the federal agents, who were reinforced by a squadron of police from the Carondelet Station, and are being held at the station in an effort to determine who fired the shot.

Unable to Operate

Sterner was taken to the Alexian Brothers' Hospital, 3933 South Broadway, where it was found that the bullet had entered the left side of the neck, lodging in the spinal column. Physicians who examined the wound and location of the bullet expressed little hope of recovery. Because of his extremely critical condition they were unable to operate to remove the bullet.

Police who later searched the bar found 52 cases of home brew and four gallons of whisky.

Nations, with six other dry agents, went to the grounds of the Sharpshooters' Club shortly after 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon. He had a warrant giving him power to search the three buildings, a bar, club house and restaurant on the grounds.

Stationing two men outside, he entered the barroom.

"Hands up! We're federal prohibition officers and have a warrant to search this place," was Nations order to the crowd.

At the appearance of the agents most of the men tried to leave the room. It is believed that they thought Nations and his men were holdup men.

Hold Crowd at Bay

Several tried to jump out of windows, but were stopped by the agents. During the excitement that followed two shots were fired, one of the bullets striking Sterner in the left side of the neck. Sterner fell, dropping his revolver.

The two agents outside succeeded in driving back the men who were trying to escape from the place. While Nations and four of his men held them at bay, one of the prohibition men

notified the police of the Carondelet District.

Five policemen arrived at the saloon several minutes later in an automobile and assisted Nations in taking the prisoners to the police station.

They were questioned by the police but no coherent account of the affair could be obtained. All disclaimed knowledge of who fired the shot that struck Sterner and a further investigation into the affair will be conducted.

Neither Nations or any of his men were able to state accurately what occurred. Reports from the police did not contain information as to whether any weapons had been found by the officers after the raid.

The enforcement agents accompanying Nations were, in addition to Sterner, L. H. Gatter, Charles Vernon, L. M. Hogg, D. S. Baker and Harry Wahl.

Nations said last night that in connection with the shooting warrants for fourteen men would be asked unless the identity of the man who fired the shots was established. Warrants for about five of the men charging violation of the Volstead act will also be sought, he said.

According to Nations there are two buildings on the premises of the Sharpshooters' Club. Liquor was found in both buildings. There were approximately 52 cases of home-made beer and three of four gallons of whisky confiscated.

In speaking of the shooting he said that he did not believe the men thought it was a holdup, because Sterner announced twice while entering the building that he was a federal agent.

In one of the two buildings there was a dice game, a "black jack" game and a roulette wheel in operation, Nations charged. He said there was about \$1,000 in cash on tables when the agents entered.

Culmination of Series

The raid was one of a series which began Saturday night and Sunday morning on county roadhouses.

Ten men were arrested and a quantity of homemade beer and whisky seized in the earlier forays.

The first raid was made on the Nine Mile House on the Olive Street road. Joseph Gonnella, the proprietor, and two negro waiters, John Mosby, 4330 Cook Ave., and William Charleston, 2212 Chestnut street, were arrested. Prohibition agents said they had made a number of purchases at the road house during the last two weeks. There was no liquor found on the premises.

The Rigoletto Inn, on the North and South road, was the second stop of the enforcement agents. Twenty half-pints of whisky were found behind the bar. The proprietor, Joseph Deroli, and his four waiters, Charles Kipser, John Candullis, Hugo Kern and August Adlershuger were arrested and charged with sale. The agents at various times had made purchases at the inn.

The third raid was made at the Rose Inn, on the Olive Street road. George Neiderberger, the proprietor, was arrested after a quantity of whisky and 311 bottles of home brew beer was found in the inn. Neiderberger was charged with sale and possession.

At the Riverside Inn, which is located on the Mississippi river one mile north of the Waterworks, the agents found sixty cases of homemade beer and three quarts of synthetic gin. They arrested the proprietor, Joseph Sisk.

Nations said that he would endeavor to have the inns closed.

CLAIM REED DID REFER TO WILSON AS "LONG-EARED"

Citizens of Salisbury, Mo., Refute Senator's Denial of Long's Charge

Breckenridge Long, Democratic candidate for the senatorial nomination, in a campaign address last week, charged Senator James A. Reed with referring to former President Wilson as "that long-eared animal that goes braying about the country." The remark was credited to Reed in a speech which he made at Salisbury, Mo., in July of 1920.

Senator Reed, in an address at Mexico, Mo., last Saturday, emphatically denied that he had made the alleged remark and declared that "the Kansas City paper that printed it took it back at my demand."

Fred Lamb, judge of the Twelfth Judicial Circuit, with offices at Salisbury, sent a telegram to The Star last week, signed by several citizens of Salisbury, in which the signers claimed that Reed did make the remark.

The telegram follows:

"In a public speech in Salisbury, Mo., on the evening of July 17, 1920, Senator James A. Reed, while discussing the League of Nations, referred to Woodrow Wilson, then president of the United States, in substantially the following language: 'That long-eared animal that goes braying about the country.' Thos. Richardson, V. E. Hurt, W. F. Briner, Frank H. Richardson, Robert Copeland, V. H. Geister, J. L. Whight, E. O. Snyder, J. M. Mason, Dr. J. D. Brummal and R. L. Phelps.

"FRED LAMB."
From The St. Louis Star.

OF INTEREST TO READERS.

Chicago, June 20.—Reports of the Chicago live stock market are now being broadcasted several times daily by radiophone by the Chicago Daily Drovers Journal. The reports, which are furnished by the U. S. bureau of markets and crop estimates, are all transmitted on 485 meter wave length in accordance with government regulations. Station WAAF from which the broadcasting is done is operated by the Drovers Journal and is located in the Stock Yards. It has been heard all over the Middle West.

The program daily except Sunday, arranged on Central Standard time, is as follows:

8:30 a. m.—Estimated receipts of cattle, hogs and sheep at Chicago for current day.

Holdover of hogs from previous day.

Opening hog market based on actual transactions up until that hour.

10:30 a. m.—Estimated receipts of cattle, hogs and sheep for day.

Cattle market, hog market and sheep market to hour of sending.

Available top price quotations and range of bulk of sales.

12:30 p. m.—Estimated receipts of cattle, hogs and sheep for current day.

Cattle, hog and sheep markets, including range of prices of various classes by grades.

Estimate of cattle, hogs and sheep run for following day.

3 p. m.—Closing markets, changes, if any.

Other live stock markets in brief.

Live stock and market news in brief.

4:30 p. m.—Eastern meat trade conditions.

Saturday—Final market broadcast 12:30 p. m.

Rev. Carter DeWeese will preach at Union Chapel Sunday at 11:30 a. m., also in the afternoon, immediately after the Sunday school. Everyone invited to bring their dinner and spend the day with Bro. DeWeese.

Mrs. Velma Clark of Galt is the guest of Miss Helen Thrash this week.

Mrs. H. E. Bartz will leave Friday for Kansas City for a few days visit with her mother, Mrs. Mary Allen.

FOREST PARK LAKE IS SCENE OF A TRAGEDY

The first tragedy from one of summer's greatest pastimes occurred at the Forest Park lake Friday evening.

Ernest Kroggel drowned while swimming in the park. He had gone to the park with his brothers to go bathing. They had been swimming for quite a while, and his brothers had left the lake to dress when the terrible accident occurred.

Kroggel was about fifty or sixty feet from the west side of the lake near the dam when he started going down. His brother, Richard, alarmed by the cries, ran to the spot from the other side of the lake; but before he could reach anywhere near the fatal spot it could not be determined exactly where Ernest had gone down.

George Bridges and a host of other swimmers dove with tireless efforts, endeavoring to locate the body but were unable to find the drowned man. Finally grab hooks were obtained and after an hour of frenzied work the body was brought up.

Artificial respiration failed to revive the life that was so tragically lost.

The remains were taken to the Mahan & Son undertaking parlor and a coroner's inquest was held Saturday morning.—Moberly Democrat.

WHAT WILL ENGLAND SAY ABOUT THIS?

London—Twelve British soldiers have been massacred by the Turks in the neighborhood of the Dardanelles, according to a semi-official dispatch from Athens received here tonight. The men were taken prisoners during the raid by Kemalists bands on a weak British detachment.

TWO YOUNG BOYS ARRESTED FOR THEFT

Everett Parish, 16, and Shirley Harris, 15, were arrested yesterday by police for theft.

Young Parish confessed to having taken six dollars from a purse belonging to Mrs. John Melton about noon Friday when he was in the Melton sporting goods store located on West Reed street.

The two youths told confusing tales about taking the money from Oak Hunter's clothes while he was in bathing at Forest Park lake. Police yesterday recovered twelve dollars of the forty-five that were stolen. The rest had been spent.

One youth claimed they both took the money and divided it. The other claimed he was afraid to take so much at a time and didn't take the money.

The Parish boy is now out on parole from the reform school, but the parole will be revoked and he will be sent back to the reformatory, it is said.

Shirley Harris, the other youth, is now out on bond.—Moberly Democrat.

ARRESTED TWO ON BOOTLEGGING CHARGE

Deputy Sheriff Harry Polson, Sheriff John Milam and Deputy Sheriff Steve Jones late Friday evening arrested three Italians at Huntsville upon the charge of operating a still and illegally manufacturing corn whisky on the farm of Roy R. Quinn, lately appointed postmaster at Moberly.

The men taken into custody are Bert and John Salle and Adolphus Ranchetto. These men, it seems, according to Deputy Sheriff Polson, were not the persons who rented the farm, but the evidence gathered by the officers show that they have been operating the still. Two other Italians, Joe Verma and Joe Berti, had taken a lease on the farm, and were in possession of it, but the officers said the evidence did not show them to be responsible for the violations of the law.

The Salles and Ranchetto were each put under \$3,000 bond and their trial will come up for hearing at the next term of court at Huntsville.—Moberly Democrat.

WHEN HE'S ONLY ADDLED.

One of the saddest sights of nature is a smart aleck of eighteen trying to give the impression that he is a hard-boiled egg.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Goll of Dalton spent Sunday here.